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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I chose a competitive provider because otherwise I can't really afford internet. Not only has fiber been far more affordable than the alternatives, but it's opened up a way for me to become tech savvy enough to use the internet for business purposes. Here where I live there were few choices for internet (satellite was the only option which besides being too expensive was slow and slower as the month went on and I had to be so careful not to use it too much). With fiber I can stream, and I don't have to depend on outdated cable company ripoffs. Please don't stifle competition, I would be lost without fiber now if prices increase.

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